

JOHN GARBER JURIST, IS DEAD

One of Most Noted Attorneys of California Dies at Advanced Age at Berkeley.

ONCE ON SUPREME BENCH OF NEVADA

Engaged in Much Notable Litigation in This State, Particularly the Stanford, Fair and Blythe Contests.

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 13.—Judge John Garber, formerly supreme judge of Nevada and for many years one of the most noted jurists of that state, died at his home late last night from attack of typhoid fever. Judge Garber had been ill for several weeks and the doctors have entertained no hope of his recovery, as he was over 70 years of age. Judge Garber was prominently connected with many of the great legal battles in the civil courts of this state, notably the Stanford, Fair and Blythe litigations, which involved many millions of dollars.

A friend of President Roosevelt, Senator Beveridge and the late Mark Hanna, and for forty years associated on one side or the other of a very important bench in the California courts, former Supreme Court Justice John Garber ranked as a leader of the bar in California.

President Roosevelt offered to make Judge Garber a commissioner on the Panama canal commission. This was in February, 1904. Judge Garber is a gold Democrat of the old school and had accepted the post he would have been on the commission with six Republican engineers.

Born in Virginia.

John Garber was born in Staunton, Va., and was a graduate of the University of Virginia in mathematics, Latin, chemistry, natural philosophy and modern languages. He commenced his business life as a civil engineer, and as such was employed by the Virginia Central railroad. This occupation he followed about two years and then studied law and was admitted to practice in the state of Virginia. From the state of Virginia he came to San Francisco and went into the office of his uncle, Joseph G. Baldwin, who was afterward one of the Justices of the supreme court of California.

Judge Garber went to Santa Cruz and there practiced law about one and a half years. From Santa Cruz he went to Nevada City, Cal.

He married Miss Juliet White, daughter of Judge John White of Abingdon, in 1855 or 1866. After his marriage he went to Austin, Tex. There he formed a partnership with Colonel Harry J. Thornton.

The two went to Hamilton, Tex., during the White Blue Indian excitement, and practiced law there. While living in Hamilton Garber was elected Justice of the supreme court of Nevada. The other members of the supreme court of Nevada at this time were B. C. Whittemore and F. E. Moore.

On November 7, 1872, Judge Garber resigned his position on the supreme bench of Nevada and went to Phoenix, Ariz., to take part in the great mining suit of the Raymond & Ely Mining company vs. the Heymans.

After the trial of this suit, Judge Garber and Colonel Thornton again entered partnership and returned to San Francisco, the law firm then bearing Garber & Thornton. Thomas B. Bishop was afterward taken into the firm under the name of Garber, Thornton & Bishop. Colonel Thornton returned from the Philippines in 1876 and Judge Garber took his place in the firm, which thus became Garber, Roat & Bishop. Judge Garber withdrew from the firm and formed a partnership with Judge Eugene Garber and his son, Joseph E. Garber. Harry T. Treewell became a member of the firm.

SAILORS IGNORANT OF NATIONAL ANTHEM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Let it be known—Washington from officers of the battleship fleet in—dictate a awful lack of knowledge of anything approaching the national anthem. In most places where the fleet was received with so much cordiality the natives were simple and vigorous in the delivery of an appropriate air and such an instant—was usually followed in an attempt to render the "Star Spangled Banner" with the result, as one correspondent has described it, that the singers were rarely able to proceed with the song for more than three lines. The repeated failures finally led to combined efforts to rehearse for the rendition of the American anthem, but without much success.

GUARDS HAVE RIGHT AT TIMES TO SHOOT

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Judge Kavanaugh in the Superior Court of Cook county yesterday rendered a decision of importance to national guardsmen in which he declared they had a right under certain conditions to take human life while on duty.

The decision was rendered in the case of Joseph B. Klein, a private of the First regiment, Illinois National Guard, under indictment for killing Earl Nelson at Kankakee last spring. The regiment was on its way to Springfield to quell a race war. Klein, acting as a guard of a baggage train in which ammunition was stored and ordered to allow no unauthorized person to enter, stabbed Nelson with a bayonet when, according to his story, to a court of inquiry, Nelson tried to enter the car.

TAFT SPEAKS AT M'KINLEY MEMORIAL

President-elect Tells How He Was Induced to Go to the Philippine Islands.

M'KINLEY WAS RIGHT IN DELAYING WAR

Taft Says He Will Probably Take a Trip Each Year to the Canal Zone to Inspect Progress of Engineering.

CHICAGO DRUGGISTS ARE LOSING MONEY

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Some drug stores, it is declared, have installed a chop suey and chili con carne lunch to take the place of cold beverages.

STEAMER MODOC IS RAMMED BY VESSEL ON THE SACRAMENTO

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 13.—The Southern Pacific mail and passenger steamer Modoc, plying between this city and San Francisco, was rammed by the freighter Valetta on the river three miles below Courtland at 1:30 o'clock this morning and sank in about seven feet of water.

Owing to the presence of mind and prompt action of Captain B. N. Ridout of the Modoc, the disabled steamer was rushed to the shallow side of the river, lashed to the bank and the passengers and part of the cargo transferred to the Valetta without mishap. The total loss because of the incident, it is estimated, will be \$10,000 in cargo, damage to the steamer and charter money for a vessel to take the run until the Modoc can be placed back in commission.

Where the blame for the accident belongs is a matter of speculation.

The steamer collided in a dense fog. According to reports received tonight, the crew of the Modoc claiming signals were heard from the Valetta which was going down stream. On the other hand, it is stated by residents of Courtland that when the Modoc passed the town at 1:30 o'clock it was blowing a fog whistle every few seconds.

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RESTAMPING OF WORLD IN IMAGE OF CHRIST

A Plea By Pastor Brown To Take Up and Continue Christ's Ways of Helping People In Life

"Restoring Lost Powers of Life, a Restamping of the World in the Image of Christ" was the subject of the sermon at the Baptist church yesterday by the pastor, Rev. A. J. Brown. The text was Mark 5: 18 to emphasize that the Savior's miracles throw light on His great mission of redemption and recovery of mankind, bringing us back to God and god-like powers of living. His gift of eternal life is well illustrated in the lavish way in which he dispenses the riches of His grace to all who are poor and hungry.

The attractive power of that Cross of Suffering is felt around the world today, stronger than ever. Though the sum is ninety million miles away, we have and do all can work in power and warmth to help save the world is now done. We stand by the far-country of God's love manifested on earth.

Personal touch with humanity's lost need was the secret of His success, and it must be of ours today, if we would take the rough raw material of human nature and human institutions and impress them indelibly and forever with the image and likeness of heaven, till regenerated human nature will pass current as good coin in God's eternal kingdom.

The meaning of restorative miracles was dwelt upon by the speaker to comment how we do narrow down and whittle away His message sometimes by our process of "spiritualizing" all that seems too hard literally to do. His was an all-around restoration, making sound bodies and minds and hearts and souls of men, bringing back to healthful activity every power man had lost through sin or neglect or wrongs of others. He proclaims a whole salvation from evil, root and branch, when He presents Himself as the physician of a sin-sick world," says Prof. Laddaw.

When at Simon's table a woman of the under-world lathers his repentant love in tears and precious沉积 on His feet. He does not rebuke. He commends her approach, for hers is a spontaneous nature launched and redeemed, and the fires of love are no worse than the fires of hate, pride, coveting and scorning that burn in the Pharisees' hearts; she is no worse sinner than they; her love is purified and turned to noble use sooner than their hate.

She confessed and adored her Savior as openly as she had sinned, the crushed rock gives up gold, the weathered hu-stone shows the diamond, the lady of wealth stoops to feel in the dirty glove for her lost diamond ring. So Christ stoops to any slimy depth to rescue any lost child that He can bring back to God and purity.

In that terrible encounter with the Demonic of Gadara, we see how Jesus deals with that daemonic personality, that sub-conscious other-self that so often leads men to act a double part, sometimes good, sometimes bad, regular Dr. Jeckyll and Mr. Hyde characters. He talked to the best and drove the other out by His own psychic power of disentangling evil spirits from human mind. Modern psychological research reveals many such disguised doubles to-day, and need the ministrations of Christ as much as those of old, and missionaries and helpers have proven indeed that the name of Jesus is prevailing power can and does drive out evil spirits.

Are you rent and torn by contrary desires, give Christ the key to your heart, and let Him come in and cast out the unclean brood of festering, sinful spirits that stir you to anger, lust, perversity, hate and all manner of evil. Christ alone can cast out the demons of our worst passions! And don't mourn if in killing sin Jesus also kills the hogs of indulgence, the swine of impure associates, the wealth of wrongful gains. It may cost much to part with the evil spirits, but let the swine go, and don't drive Jesus out because He puts an end to wrongful profits and grafting wealth.

The Blind Man of Bethsaida, led out into the quiet of the country by Jesus and then touched and healed, then he saw men, as trees at harvest, plainly shows us how Jesus loved to see lost powers and losses. He would have every man be a whole man, and know that in their weak faith a touch from His hand would help to restore. So He touches us in our lives today, that our ears may be unstopped till we

hear the divine voice of conscience, the whisperings of the Holy Spirit directing us into right paths, the comforting words of Our Father bringing peace and pardon to the soul. None are so deaf and blind as those who will not hear, nor see.

You don't see anything in religion or in Christ, because you don't look with any real expectation of seeing, you don't look where real religion abounds. The whole world of beauty about the blind man before he sees the whole world of divine meaning and God's power is all about you, but you don't see it till Christ opens your eyes to see. Like Elihu's servant, we often think we fight alone, till our eyes are opened to see all God's resources of power. Electric waves existed long before we learned to use them in telephone, wireless telegraphy and the electric light. So hath God new powers yet for those ready to have their eyes opened to new glories of His marvellous universe of the spirit. And He but restores what man in His pristine purity possessed, the ability to see and talk with God as Adam did in Paradise.

While creation makes, Redemption restores, remakes. What sin loses, grace finds again. He opens shut eyes and senses by His miracles, shut hearts by His spirit of grace. Shut-in powers He sets free by His influence, shut graves open in death, shut man in. It is the great Liberator of unprisoned humanity, freeing us from our prison-house of heredity for wrong, from the bands of bad habits, setting us at liberty to go forth and realize our high destiny in God's atmosphere of souls freedom. And this new creation is fairer, larger than the old. It requires higher skill to remake what has been marred and spoiled, than to make new at the start; it's more difficult to redeem and reshape lost and ruined lives, than to nurture and train in right lines from infancy to manhood, those who have never darkly, deeply fallen.

When Jesus sighed, looked up to heaven, and touched the tongue of the deaf man in Decapolis, that man's ears were opened to hear the tender speeches and sweetest music of home and worship for the first time, the whole world of sound became audible, he entered a new continent of enjoyment and understanding. But not alone did he get the power to receive these messages and blessings from without, Jesus gave power to his silent tongue, till he who had been speechless and silent all his life began to speak, praise God and testify of what the Master had done for him. Would God He would open the tongues of many today who have had their eyes and ears closed, that they may tell out to us what has come to them of God's thought and God's power.

How many of you have found your voices to pray and speak aloud to your friends and family the wonderful things of God, the marvels of His restoring power? Men who run away from home to be rid of a bad past, who like Chief Biggy, either disappear or commit suicide rather than face the record of their failure and sins, men who like Rueff and Calhoun, have become so entangled in the web of sin that there is no escape, but inevitable disgrace, exposure, punishment, oh how they long for some way out of the tangled web! Millions they have given would give, to free themselves if possible.

One millionaire offered a million dollars to any doctor that would restore his failing sight. All in vain, earth has no balm for the deepest wounds and harms of sin, and age and disease. Death is the appalling end of both.

Like the wolves that followed the retreating Arctic travellers and pestered every straggler, till only one man remained to face the fate of all before, we feel our hopeless fate.

But Jesus Christ actually does heal the soul, restores lost powers, wipe out sins, and give men a new start. And in this remaking of ruined men and lives He is the great Economist of the spiritual world. We count Him a benefactor who shows us how to save our forests, conserve lost energy, check the ravages of dredge destruction, restore wasted lands and bring back abandoned farms to use. And greater he who restores invalids to health, saves the hundred thousand drunkards a year for the industries of the nation, stops the awful wastes of war and famine and pestilence, and gives work, hope and life renewed to the army of the despairing. But best of all that Savior who has breathed hope and courage into millions of hearts after they have given up life's fight, who has brought up from the depths and made decent citizens again of grafters like Matthew and Zacheus, of fallen men like Mary Magdalene, of numerous persecutors like Saul, who has turned cannibals, converted into preachers, like the Gospels, and fierce Indian fighters into honorable deacons in Indian churches who has rescued men like McAuley, John B. Gough and many thousands more from the depths and made them great benefactors of humanity, such work counts in the reconstruction of this world; and He who has done that in millions of lives can do it in yours if you'll give Him a chance. The Great Restorer is here, you have the life that needs renewing and refilling with better things, will you let Him touch you with His divine hand tonight?

WHITE FIGS SELL BETTER IN EAST

Movement Brisker Than for Some Time
—A Clean-Up of Crop Predicted.

While nothing noteworthy has been done, sales of white figs by packers to eastern buyers for the week are reported no greater than for the three weeks before combined, and it is predicted that unless there is a slack in the demand, all white figs in this state will have been sold to the eastern trade in 60 to 90 days. The fig crop is practically all in the hands of packers here or the jobbers and wholesalers of the East with growers holding a very small percentage.

The movement in figs is sure to continue through the week. About 350 tons are left, and four cars out of this will be shipped from one local packing house during the next few days. The holdings of white figs in this state have become centralized, and a great bulk of the crop is in the hands of one commercial packing firm, which is putting up goods for others in the same line. Possibly 300 tons of the total crop are controlled in this manner.

A prominent fig packer declares that buying has been very light so far, though a short crop relieved the situation, and he expects to see the entire crop sold within three months, and not a bit of old stock, more than negligible blocks, here and there, left to interfere with new crop figs when they come on.

Spiced Pine Feet.
Russia, Cedar, Holland, Herrings, Frankfurters and Sturz Kraut, Imported Pumpernickel bread at the NEW PALM GARDEN.

Opposite the Barton.

Eat at the Grand Central Cafe, West in the city. Corner Mariposa and J streets. Louis Schollet.

A large assortment of Xmas books at South. Fonten & Trautwein's, 201 Mariposa St.

LEWIS & SCHLUETER, 1026 I St.

MONEY IN TAXES FOR THE SCHOOLS

Collected During October
and November.

Total for the County Districts Is \$182,000 Lack-
ing Ten Dollars.

It will interest the 219 trustees of the seventy school districts in the county to learn through the Republican how much money was taken in October and November in taxes for the districts on the year's installations on the first half's collections. The sum total of collections by Tax Collector A. B. Smith was \$182,350.56 and for the school districts out of this sum:

In October \$17,825.00
In November 163,975.56

Total \$182,350.56
This money has been figured for the districts in the following manner:

Districts. November, October, Alpha \$105.67

Armenian Colony 230.85

Atascadero 6922.53

Burton 1036.34

Clothes 1085.90

Howes 510.77

Bryant 2838.38

Cholvis 282.43

Conal 1218.19

Centerville 1302.92

Clay 723.97

Cochran 31.94

Colton 475.58

Esparto 474.58

Fresno City 7145.00

Fresno Colony 725.13

Fort Washington 226.75

Franklin 418.74

Fruitlands 737.27

Fowler 707.27

Fairview 1296.12

Fink 1588.03

Fink 414.48

Flechbaugh 2881.47

Grant 1131.01

Granville 1523.65

Gardfield 681.04

Horace Mann 756.76

Harrison 243.18

Highland 627.40

Hindwick 970.91

Island 106.66

Jefferson 976.25

Kingsburg 3052.50

Kingsburg 5053.59

Lake 2085.33

Lake 3325.20

Lake Star 304.14

Lamont 744.64

MacKinley 502.68

Madison 2356.85

Mt. Campbell 905.55

Magnolia 500.81

North Fork 368.56

Niles Colony 362.98

Oil King 3225.88

Olander 1678.24

Orange Center 361.11

Parlier 498.25

Paige 1740.64

Pollack 240.78

Perrin 493.11

Prairie 730.52

Rosedale 943.19

Round Mountain 153.36

Rathle City 1046.62

Redley 3141.50

Riverside 998.84

Red Banks 266.05

Reding 1418.37

Smith Mountain 343.19

Sequoia 603.45

Sanger 929.48

Scandinavian Col. 663.19

Terry 1852.35

Violand 1062.74

Washington Colony 1001.53

Walters 323.18

Wolters 414.12

10.28

13.02

12.80

45.53

work. Every detail of the hold up, which will take place before the grand stand in Tournament Park, will be in close keeping with the historical fact.

Jack Short, a driver of the early California days, and the oldest driver of the Cudahy Packing Company, will handle the lines. Six of the best matched horses from the Cudahy stables will draw the big wagon. The animals will be driven in the same manner that the wiry little horses of a generation past were combed to go.

The treasure box will be put upon the coach, one guard, armed with a Winchester, and a second guard, with six-shooters, will take their places behind the driver. The extra horse will be tied to the rear, behind the head, and with the passengers aboard, the start will be made. As the coach encircles the track, Captain J. S. Hendrickson, who will play the role of "Black Jack," will start in pursuit, followed by two of his men. The dash for the plow and the fight with the guards will take place before the grand stand, stage horses and cobbers mounted driven at breakneck speed. When the treasure box is secured, the driver from the vehicle slips around to the back during the confusion and cutting low the extra horse, goes for help.

The hold-up will be concluded with a charge by the cowboys and miners, who have answered the call for assistance, and the capture and hanging of the robbers.

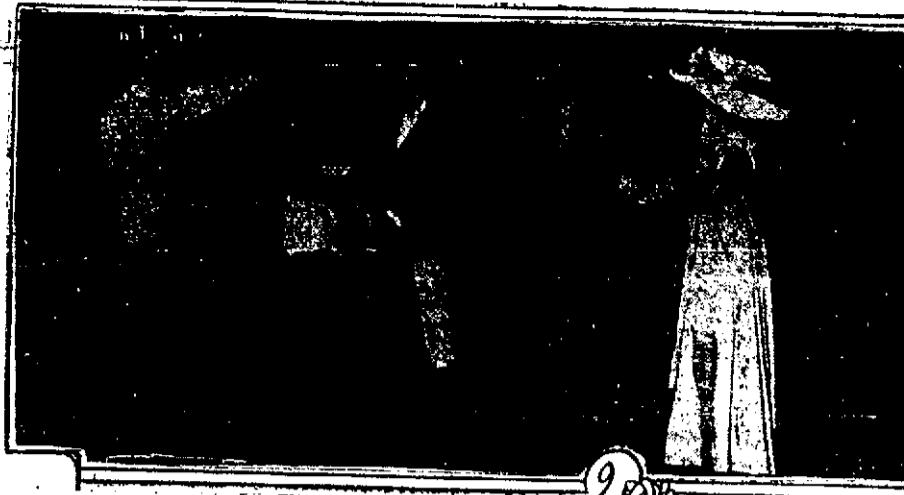
The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments, and endanger the Health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paraffin, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and adult Fecundity. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulence. It assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

SHOWS COMING ALL IN A BUNCH AT THE BARTON



Scene from "The Substitute," the Attraction in Which Max Figman Will Appear at the Barton Tonight.

Max Figman, who is unquestionably one of the pronounced favorites of theater-goers, will come to the Barton tonight for his annual visit in a new and original comedy entitled "The Substitute," from the pens of Beulah M. Dill and Elmer Greenleaf Sutherland, authors of "The Road to Yesterday." Mr. Figman will bring with him the largest company and the most pretentious and elaborate production he has had since he became a star. He is under the management of John Cort, who also directs the tours of Madame Calve, Florence Roberts, the comic opera success "The Alaskan" and the late Boston musical success, "Commencement Days," a story of girl college life.

"The Substitute" differs from any play that has been presented on the American stage. It relates a story that abounds in comedy and yet has a strong and stirring undercurrent. The tear follows a laugh in quick succession and the versatility of the artist is tested at every moment. A charming romance provides the whole and lends a distinct fascination to it.

In brief "The Substitute" relates the experiences and adventures of an up-to-date young New York lawyer named James Smith, who, to keep his word with his prospective brother-in-law, a young and budding theologian, is compelled himself to go as the substitute in a little country church at West Appleton, Conn. Nothing more out of place can be imagined than this lawyer masquerading as a minister, and a host of funny incidents occur that keep the spectators in a constant state of merriment.

Incidental to his visit the young lawyer falls in love with the pretty daughter of the aged minister, whose pupil he temporarily fills, and he discovers a conspiracy to degrade the aged minister for alleged embezzlement of church funds. The evolution of this mystery and the efforts of Smith to assist his pastor out of his trouble form the basis of the dramatic story. The last scene of the play occurs in a country court room, where the minister is on trial.

Originality in Stage Frocks.
While it is well known that the stage leads in fashions, it is not often that the costumes are designed by the star of the attraction. Rose Stahl, who appears in "The Chorus Lady," is, perhaps, the only American woman star to originate, design and color scheme for all of the gowns worn by herself and the members of her company, and the gowns are good samples of how good they are.

When a production is contemplated by a theatrical manager, the question of costuming is one of the most important factors and the manager invariably calls to his aid the assistance of some well known designer and costumer, who borrows her ideas from plates drawn by artists and from the pages of fashion journals. Even then it is difficult to make colors harmonize.

Henry B. Harris, under whose direction "The Chorus Lady" is being presented, was, when it came to the costuming of the play, in a quandary as to who he should have to do it. Then, one day, when Alice Stahl was in his office the matter came up, and she suggested that he turn the whole matter of the designing over to her. This he gladly did. That she has been successful is evident by the fact that the big department stores in New York have used as their models many of the gowns worn by members of "The Chorus Lady." Miss Stahl will be seen at the Barton tomorrow evening in "The Chorus Lady."

Story of Far North.
The above is a good story of the far north, so to speak, of a good order, which was one of last season's unusual successes, comes to the Barton next Wednesday and Thursday evenings, when it will be given by John Cort's splendid company, headed by Edward Martindel.

Mr. Martindel struck the ball of approval squarely on the head last season in the role of "Totem Pole Pete," and had this opera contested no other song in his rendition of that remarkable number, "My Totem Pole," would easily have carried it to success. In addition to Mr. Martindel there is a large cast of principals engaged with "The Alaskan" as well as a great beauty chorus.

Numbered among the principals are Lora Litch, Fritzle Von Busing, Edna Fitzgerald, Forrest Huff, William Daniels, Dick Fitzgerald and Hunter Wilson, while there will be an augmented orchestra with the company under the direction of Oscar Radin. One of the features of the presentation is a large cast of genuine Eskimo snow dogs, brought from Alaska direct.

Music in "The Alaskan" is one of the most unusual offered for many years, while its long, lyrical lyrics reveal a story of the far north that is always interesting and truthfully drawn.

The seat sale will open this morning at 10 o'clock.

Uncle Tom's Cabin.
It will be a pleasing announcement to the many little ones and the "big" little ones that Stetson's production of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" will be seen at the Barton next Saturday, matinee and night. Special bargain matinee prices will prevail, 25 cents to all. Evening prices will be 10, 20, 30 and 50 cents.

Box-Hus Spectacles.
Spectacles will be placed on sale Thursday morning next for the engagement of "Ben Hur" at the Barton, December 21st, 22nd and 23rd. The seat-

The British Society of Fresno County.
Members are requested to remit their dues for the second half year ending April 25th, 1909, without delay. In accordance with the by-laws, section 1.

The next meeting will be held the last week in Jan. Due notice will be sent to all members.

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LODGED IN THE COUNTY JAIL

George Shephard and Victor Marsh, 17-year-old lads, who gave their occupations as messenger boys, were brought to the county jail on Saturday night by Constable Campbell, having been held to answer for burglary. They came from the southern part of the state and had been loitering about Selma. They were staying in a bunk house at the gas works at that place and when some of the employees had gone, stole a watch and money. They were later caught and the goods found on them. After the preliminary examination, they were bound over to the superior court on \$100 bail each.

VETERAN OF TWO WARS AT REST

Funeral services over the remains of Bernard Arling, veteran of two wars, were held yesterday afternoon from Bishop Hall, Atlantic Post, of A. R. having charge of the services at the hall and at the grave. There was a large attendance of old soldiers and a number of beautiful floral tributes. Interment was in Monte View cemetery. Arling was a native of Germany and served with honor in the Prussian war. Later he came to this country and served in the Civil war. He was 88 years of age.

AWAITING AN INVESTIGATION

E. C. Shepard, claiming to be a deputy city marshall from Southern California, was placed under arrest last Saturday night by Police Sergeant Doyle pending investigation. Shepard was hanging around the Southern Pacific depot when arrested, and the sergeant, not liking his appearance at that time of night, gave him a bed for the night. The man was wearing a deputy marshall's badge and display-

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HAY AND GRAIN IN THE BIG CITY

Sales Being Made Without Difficulty.

Every Indication That They Will Be Higher Before New Stock Comes in.

The San Francisco hay and grain market report of Scott and Wagner states that the receipts of hay during the week up to Saturday have been 23,824 tons, being a substantial increase over the arrivals of the previous week. The market continues strong and sales are made without difficulty at prices quoted. Local business conditions continue good, with a tendency toward improvement, and the market absorbs all arrivals readily and without forcing. A general feeling of encouragement is felt throughout the state by reason of the generous rain so generally distributed.

The report states further that during the month of November the San Francisco market consumed about 13,000 tons in volume numbers. December will not take that much but the general average from all information shows that the steady shipment to come in will more than consume the stock on hand available to San Francisco. A few stray cars have been arriving from various sections of the surrounding states, but have been selling at figures which will prohibit their shipment in any quantity until the market advances more. It is practically a foregone conclusion that the market will continue at its present rate for the immediate present, with a steady grad-

ual increase upward toward the end of the season.

There is apparently no cause for a feeling of panic, but there is every indication that San Francisco will not price quite a bit higher during the next one or two months, and very much higher before new hay can be counted upon to supply the market.

The exact condition of affairs seems to be thoroughly and generally understood by the farming element or shippers of hay in San Francisco that all country stocks are being held firm in hand at prices a little over present market quotations. The widespread belief that prices are bound to be higher prevents any great amount of trading being done in the country, and the only transfer of stocks of which word has been received, consist of small sales being made from farmer to farmer for local supply.

Heavy shipments are being made to the southern portion of the state, but no sales of any quantity have been reported during the week. A strong demand from the interior and the mountainous districts is manifest with large shipments being made into the localities from which they are supplied.

Alta California continues in strong demand, and sells proportionately very high. The supply of straw is light and all coming is readily absorbed at quotations.

The prices on the market range as follows:

Per Ton.
Choice wheat hay \$21.00 to \$22.50
No. 1 wheat or wheat and oat 18.00 to 21.00
No. 2 wheat or wheat and oat 15.00 to 18.00
Choice tame oat 18.00 to 20.00
Other tame oat 15.00 to 17.50
Wild oat 14.50 to 17.50
Stock hay 65 to 18.50
Straw, no bale 65 to .80

The report of Somers & Co. emphasizes the general apprehension concerning the outcome, for with concessions in freight rates which can be granted under emergency measures, considerable quantities of hay can be brought to San Francisco from the surrounding states. It is the idea that the market will be maintained at

but little above the present average, possibly at the very end of the season, at which time there may be a short period of actual price. The strong moderate demand on the San Francisco market should prevent any great excitement or great advance over present quotations.

The market holds at about the same range as was noted one week ago; on some days with light receipts sales are effected at above quotations, but any day with an over-supply brings a reaction again. With the loss of government and export trade because of high prices it is found that the market can absorb but moderate quantities of hay with ease.

TOO POOR TO BUY WOOD SO HE HELPED HIMSELF

Ah Sing, a Chinaman, was brought to the county jail from Selma yesterday morning by Constable Campbell for petit larceny. Sing was caught with a sack of stove wood stolen from a neighbor. He admitted the theft, but in defense of the act pleaded that he was not financially able to buy wood. He is held on \$50 bail pending trial in the justice court.

Notice.
Notice is hereby given that there will be no meeting of the stockholders of the Valley Savings Bank at Judge Smith's court room on December 16, 1908. Any notice of such meeting has been issued through error and without authority.

Notice will be mailed to each stockholder personally, at least ten days before meeting.

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A fine opportunity right at the beginning of the season to buy a smart, stylish suit or overcoat for the mere sum of \$15 or \$20.

A man never figures on getting any kind of a suit or overcoat for less than \$25, and at this special sale you can take your choice of any suit or overcoat in the entire house for \$20 or \$15.

There's no necessity of wishing you had a new suit, or no need of your going without an overcoat these cold nights--buy both today and save money.

You can get both a suit and an overcoat at this sale for what you would pay for each one separately earlier in the season.

Everybody knows what a fine assortment of high-grade, stylish and sw suits and overcoats I carry, and a chance like this to get them at special price will undoubtedly be taken up by every man in Fresno.

But come early, and come today--get the first and best choice of the assortment.

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NON-PARTISAN JUDGES

Perhaps the most immediately effective argument in favor of the non-partisan judicial ballot proposed by William Denman of San Francisco is the fact that the only open opposition to it, so far, has come from Grove Johnson, of Sacramento. Whatever Johnson opposes, it is usually pretty safe to favor.

Johnson's argument was that he believed "a judge should be responsible to a party convention, the same as a corner." The argument is bad; but even if it were good, it is abundantly provided for in the Denman plan. The proposal does not provide any change in the methods of nominating judges. They are to be nominated by convention, by direct primary, or by petition, the same as any other candidates. The only difference is that they are to go on the ballot in a separate column, without party designation. This does not prevent party nominations, nor interfere with any one casting his vote for party reasons. Any one really believing, (as Grove Johnson says he does) that judges should be "responsible to a party convention," can vote for the candidate for judge who is responsible to his particular party convention. Any one believing that a judge ought necessarily to be a Republican is as free to express a belief as is the other voter who believes that a judge ought necessarily to be an orthodox Protestant. Both ballots, we think, are equally foolish, but there should be no law to prevent the expression of them, on the part of the foolish persons (like Grove Johnson) who hold them. Popular government is based on the assumption that wisdom is best reached by balancing various forms of foolishness against each other. Nobody proposes to deprive our judicial elections of that form of wisdom, nor to eliminate from it any of the elements of foolishness which constitute it. All that is proposed is, that this particular Johnsonian foolishness, in regard to judges, shall be expressed only by the persons who believe in it. Any one with mental activity enough to hold such a belief is intelligent enough to find out who the Republican candidate is, and vote for him. To that, nobody objects.

But there is this essential difference between partisan voting for judges and partisan voting for other officials. On the things to be done by other officials, parties do divide, and a man who casts a blind, Republican vote, regardless of who the candidates are, does to some extent cast an intelligent vote. He at least expresses a definite purpose. He wants done, in the way of law-making and law-executing, the sort of things the Republican party does, and he wants the Republican party to be responsible for doing them. That desire has various grades of meaning, according to the intelligence of the man holding it, but it does have a definite and positive meaning, even in the stupidest mind, within the limits of voting competency. Consequently the mere blind partisan vote, which is automatically delivered to whoever and whatever is found in a party column, does have its purpose and use, so far as legislative and executive officials are concerned. Men who vote that way are probably coming as near to casting an intelligent vote, as their mentality permits. Of course it is foolish to elect coroners by reason of their views on the railroad rate question; but then, it is foolish to elect coroners, any way. They ought to be appointed by a committee, consisting of the sheriff, the president of the bar association, and the president of the medical association. But that is an older story. The point is that stupid partisanship is one way of getting definite decisions, on questions of executive and legislative policy, and has therefore its use and practical justification, as to them.

Not so with the judges. The man who casts a partisan vote intentionally, for the judges, has a right to do it. The candidate for judge has the right to all the prestige he can get, from a party endorsement. But not to the mere automatic vote. That ought not to be cast for the judges at all, except by being compelled to make individual selections, and thereby to cease to be automatic. The intentionally (we do not say "intelligently") for voting is an expression of will rather than of intellect; partisan vote is partisanship enough to inject into judicial election. Let every voter choose for himself whether he will cast a partisan or a non-partisan vote. But require him to make that choice, and to have some preference to express, before he expresses it.

There may be practical difficulties in the way of the Denman plan. If so, discussion, such as that of the Commonwealth club and the Fresno Bar association (not to make odious comparisons), will bring them out. But the theory is good. And the practical success of the proposition has the great advantage of Grove Johnson's opposition.

NEEDHAM'S POSITION

The dispatches from Washington showing that Congressman Needham was the one person from the Pacific Coast whom President-elect Taft invited to confer with him, in regard to cabinet possibilities from the Far West, will not surprise any one who is familiar with Mr. Needham's position in Washington and his relations to Mr. Taft. Mr. Needham is not only the uncontested leader of the Pacific Coast delegation in Con-

gress, its one representative who holds a position of controlling importance in Congress, but he has long been the intimate and trusted friend of Secretary Taft. He has consistently advocated what are known as the Taft policies, in the ways and means committee, and in Congress, and has once or twice cast the deciding vote in favor of those policies. He has been frequently regarded as personally representing Mr. Taft, in matters before Congress, and has been for years in constant and close association with the West Secretary who is now to be president. This long-time confidence of President-elect Taft in Mr. Needham is a high personal tribute to the character and standing of our representative in Congress. Incidentally, it is not a disadvantage to this district, in its relation to the new administration.

AMERICANS WORKED
BY ENGLISH WOMEN

Millionaires Invited to "Exclusive" Fun-
tions Are Invited into Dropping
a Lot of Money.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—At this, the country house visiting season, the American millionaires are in particular request. This is the time when, over the wine and the walnuts, "deals" as big as any which take place on the Stock Exchange or in city offices are negotiated. The intimacy and friendliness of the association within the aristocratic home accomplish in a week-end what could not be arrived at for months elsewhere. Besides, the guest, feeling himself under an obligation, as it were, cannot very well decline what he would, without hesitation, refuse to do were he approached in the ordinary business way.

The chateau of the aristocratic home spends many hours sorting out the right type of American people to invite to her board. She gushes over them, and tempts them with her innocent blue eyes to come and see her aviary or her menagerie zoo, or the dairy or the fowls, and, never dreaming that the fair one is a sort of human spider, inveigling her prey to her parlor, they accept the invitation, delighted at the prospect of meeting a royal highness. Astute and shrewd as the usual Yankee millionaire is, not even when he had deposited thousands in the flotation of the company in which his hostess' husband is interested or has purchased the masterpiece or the antique leather chairs, does he tumble to the fact that he has been invited for no other purpose than to spend his dollars.

The wife of a well-known Hampshire magnate boasts to her intimates that for five years past she has made between \$10,000 and \$12,000 for her dress within American millionaires to whom she sells in the privacy of her home effects of art. She is a connoisseur of some distinction, and it is to be admitted that what she does sell is genuine of its kind; but she gets phenomenal prices—in some cases five times as much as the worth of the article.

"How bad had the conscience?" said a well-known statesman, to her the other day, "to ask \$12,000 for that seal and which you ought to be ashamed of yourself."

"You forgot altogether, my right honorable friend, that the American young man who paid it to me was introduced to my friends—to you, for instance. Business is business," she answered.

The largest tube scheme that has yet been put before Parliament will be presented early next year. It was arranged during one week-end at a well-known house in Yorkshire, much of the money being guaranteed by Americans who met for the first time the propagator of the enterprise at that gathering. The originator is a penniless, but clever nephew of a distinguished Irish peer and he expects to net out of the job something like \$1,500,000.

American dog fanciers stand a good chance of being invited to the smartest houses if they have the reputation of being willing to pay "fancy prices" for pedigree animals. The greater number of country houses add to their dress allowances by selling pedigree dogs, dogs or fowls. It surely cannot be farfetched to do so when Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, the king's niece, has for years sold cats to any "common or garden" individual who wrote to her either at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor or Schomberg House, London, Windsor or a check for a "puff-a-puff."

It must always be taken into consideration that the more exalted the saleswoman the higher the price she can demand. Princess Victoria, nevertheless, is the one exception which proves the rule and when some time ago an ambitious social climber forwarded her a gushing letter and a check for \$500 for a blue Persian kitten a few weeks ago, she deducted the \$50, the actual price of the cat, and returned the rest."

HEROIC WORK IS
HONORED IN NAVY

Two Men on Sinking Cruiser Did Valiant
Work in Trying to Save the
"Yankee."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Warm praise for heroic work on the part of English Wetherspoon and a French-Canadian diver named Mignot aboard the cruiser Yankee while an effort was being made to tow the vessel to New Bedford, after she had been cleared off by a sandbank. It is given in a report to the navy department by Captain Charles C. Marsh, of the vessel.

Captain Marsh, after reciting that the air-ports was found open, says: "Some time in the early morning, perhaps about 1 o'clock, we discovered that the air compressor had stopped. Also the pressure gauge of the open port. The latter information was given in the engineer. He went below and then went for a diver. The behavior of these two men cannot be unnoticed. The open port was in the state room on the berth deck, starboard side, next to the air compressor. Mr. Wetherspoon went into this state room and shut the door. He then tried to close the port, and then hung up his lantern so as to use both hands. The light was blown out and he was left in total darkness. The pressure against the port was too great for him and he found himself in water up to his neck in this closed room. Fortunately the pressure eventually cleared away the door and he was thrown out on to the berth deck. In the meantime a French-Canadian diver named Mignot put on his diving suit and in darkness went down into a sinking ship to lend his hand at closing the air-port. The diving pump was tended by Mr. Wetherspoon who, at this time, was not removed from his devotion to their work and for courage I know nothing better than those actions. Again word was brought to me that not only were the air compressors stopped, but that the fire room, extinguishing the fire in our boiler and hence all pumps were stopped."

The ship later sank. She now rests upright in forty-five feet of water. The ship later sank. She now rests upright in forty-five feet of water.

CONGRESS THINKS
OF THE HOLIDAYS

All Work Will Be Planned
for Prompt Adjournment.
Meet Again on January 4.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Both houses of congress expect to conclude their anti-Christmas holiday work of the session during the present week. The date of the adjournment for the holidays has not yet been definitely determined, but most probably it will fall on the 21st instant, a week from tomorrow. In that event it is not expected that any business will be done Monday week, because when the date becomes known, members will leave for their homes in such numbers that it will be impossible to maintain a quorum.

The Senate will take another adjournment from Thursday until the following Monday without any expectation of doing any business on Monday beyond providing duty for the Christmas recess. The House will continue its work until Friday or Saturday, but will then adjourn until Monday, unless some other plan of adjournment is pursued. Some members are urging that the adjournment should begin on Saturday and the leaders are disposed to heed. When taken, the holiday adjournment will be until January 4.

It is expected that both houses will sit during the week with the question of the paragraph in the President's message relating to the secret service. The Perkins committee will probably present its report to the House early and in case a resolution dealing with the subject is recommended, it will be voted upon before the dispersal of the House for the holidays.

District of Columbia Business.

The House will begin the routine business of the week tomorrow with the consideration of business pertaining to the District of Columbia and on Tuesday will continue the consideration of the bill codifying the penal laws which received much attention during the last session. Thursday and Friday will be given over to pension bills and other private measures unless there is another appropriate bill ready for consideration. Serious effort is being made to get reported early in the week the bill making appropriations for the District of Columbia, and if this effort should be successful, the bill should be passed before the holidays.

In the Senate an effort will be made by Senator Carter to procure the passage of the bill providing for the establishment of postal savings banks, and on Wednesday that measure will give way to the Foraker bill ordering the re-establishment of the national guard, who were discharged without honor because of their supposed participation in the Brownsville riots of 1906.

The Senate caucus committee will begin work early in the week on the bill providing for the thirteenth census, but probably will not be able to report until after the holidays.

No effort will be made in the Senate to act upon any of the appropriation bills until in January.

FATAL COLLISION
OF STREET CARS

Laboring Man Mangled in One Accident
and Many Persons Are Injured
in Another.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 13.—Two street car accidents occurred at about the same time in this city yesterday, in one of which J. M. Fowler, a laboring man, lost his life, while in the other several persons were more or less injured.

Fowler was on the Brooklyn avenue car on his way home from his work and had given his seat to a lady and got in the rear end, where he was standing on the steps of the car, and, as the Plaza, on Main street, the car failed to take the switch track. A Hollywood car, on Main street, struck the rear end of the Brooklyn car and Fowler was thrown under the trucks. He was badly mangled and died at the receiving hospital.

At the same time a car on Maple avenue, near Eleventh street, crashed into a heavy wagon and eight passengers were more or less injured. Those injured are Paul Snelling, 10 years of age, concussion of the brain, serious; Leslie Stelling, 12 years, serious; Inez Juries about head; Henry De Norgat, 40, contusions and arm broken; William Kayes, 12 years, contusions; and Annie injured; Mrs. Mary Scarf, bruised; Mrs. S. A. Hauerfeld, bruised; John Garrett, contusions.

The car was going at a high rate of speed and the impact threw the passengers from their seats.

COTTON POOL HAS
BEEN SUCCESSFUL

BBEE, Ark., Dec. 13.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the National Farmers' Union and the committee, held today, the report of the committee planning a federation of warehousemen was approved by the board of directors.

The following statement was given out by the cotton holding committee: "Our efforts to hold one million bales of cotton off the market has met with much favor among the members of our union and we have received pledges for thousands of bales of cotton to be held. We have perfected a plan by which the next crop can be handled through union channels."

President Barret has had state meetings as follows: Oklahoma, Jan. 13th; Texas, Jan. 15th; Illinois, Jan. 13th; Kansas, Jan. 23rd; Colorado, Feb. 1st; California, Jan. 23rd; Oregon, February 5th; Washington, February 7th.

BANK SYNDICATE
HEADED BY ELKINS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Senator Elkins of West Virginia and a syndicate of local and New York bankers have obtained possession of the office of the American National Bank, held by Joseph E. Harper, the bank's former president and now the head of the Washington Chamber of Commerce.

The transfer of the stock gives the syndicate headed by Senator Elkins absolute control of the institution, which is capitalized at \$500,000, and yesterday had \$2,200,000 in deposits.

The transfer is being made, it is believed, as an indication that there will be shortly a consolidation of several other financial institutions of the city, making the corporation about the third strongest banking house in the community.

YOUNG GIRL IS
KILLED BY A CAR

SAN JOSE, Dec. 13.—Ruth Hall, a 15-year-old school girl from Wright Station, was run down and killed early this evening at the corner of Vine and Santa Clara streets by a car of the San Jose and San Clara line.

Finanier's Mother Dead
PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Dec. 13.—Mrs. Gates, mother of John W. Gates, died here today.

MCKANNAY'S NARROW
ESCAPE ON BAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—Harry McKannay, the mayor's private secretary, had a narrow escape from death a week ago while lost in the fog in a small boat on the lower bay. It was with difficulty that he reached land and safety. With George W. Staley and George Miller, relatives, McKannay left here last Sunday morning for a day's duck shooting near Alviso.

They were met there by a launch and three small boats with a man in each to pull the smaller craft through the tides. After starting out on the marshes, the fog surrounded them before they were aware of the danger. The boat in which McKannay was seated became separated from the launch and from the others.

The fog by this time had become so dense that signaling was impossible. For hours the boat drifted aimlessly about the bay, the boatmen unable to tell by sound or sight its location. It uneventful good fortune the tide carried the small craft to Dumbarton point, where a landing was made. From there McKannay tried to walk back to Alviso.

It was early the next morning before he reached his destination. By that time he was exhausted by his exertions. It was then too late to reach San Francisco, and he was compelled to remain in Alviso overnight. He reached San Francisco late the next afternoon, and his office in the city hall Tuesday morning.

PRESIDENT MAY
PUSH LIBEL CASE

Action Against New York World Would
Have to Be Brought in the Courts
of That State.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—An official of the government, who is fairly well posted as to the Panama canal scandal talk, said today that he did not understand that the intimation of the President as to possible criminal libel prosecution referred to contemplated action of the federal courts. There is no criminal libel law on the federal statute books and any action of this kind would have to be taken in the state courts.

He said, however, that there is an unwritten code of courtesy between federal and state prosecuting officers and he saw no reason why United States District Attorney Stimson of New York should not lay before District Attorney Jerome of that city the facts in the case for Mr. Jerome's consideration with the view of criminal action against persons in New York responsible for publication of the charges. He thought it probable that conferences between Messrs. Stimson and Jerome might have already taken place.

HEIRS PLIED DYING
MAN WITH WHISKY

Sensational Charges Are Made in a Will
Contest Against an Alameda
County Estate.

OAKLAND, Dec. 13.—A contest of the will of the late Simon H. Dikeman, who died some months ago in Berkeley, leaving an estate valued at about \$100,000, was filed in the Alameda county court this morning by a son, Waldon Dikeman, of Oregon, the firm of Snook & Snook representing the contestants. The will had been probated in Alameda, and Waldon was appointed executor.

The complaint is based on sensational grounds, among the charges being that the executor has not as yet filed an inventory of the estate of the deceased and also that the decedent, when he was on the point of death, was pried with whisky by the members of his family who were gathered in the house. There were four children, James Henry M. Dikeman and Waldon, who was allowed \$10,000 of the estate. Waldon was given nothing and is to the provisions of the will James and Matilda are to inherit the estate after the death of their mother, the widow of the deceased. Henry and Matilda are now under the care of guardians.

At the same time a car on Maple avenue, near Eleventh street, crashed into a heavy wagon and eight passengers were more or less injured. Those injured are Paul Snelling, 10 years of age, concussion of the brain, serious; Leslie Stelling, 12 years, serious; Inez Juries about head; Henry De Norgat, 40, contusions and arm broken; William Kayes, 12 years, contusions; and Annie injured; Mrs. Mary Scarf, bruised; Mrs. S. A. Hauerfeld, bruised; John Garrett, contusions.

The car was going at a high rate of speed and the impact threw the passengers from their seats.

DIPLOMATIC HOUSES
WILL BE FOUGHT FOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Determining that the dignity of the United States shall no longer be jeopardized by the failure of this government to provide suitable buildings for the diplomatic and consular representatives abroad, advocates of immediate appropriation to begin the construction or purchase of embassies, legations and consular buildings have decided to press the matter at the present session of congress. Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio will lead the fight this session as he did last year.

The members of the committee on foreign affairs have a great stand behind the Longworth bill, introduced at the last session, asking for the appropriation of \$1,000,000 annually for the construction or purchase of embassies, legations and consular buildings.

Longworth would be aided if Congress merely authorized the secretary of state to proceed with these buildings without making any appropriations at all, the bill which would serve as an authorization of the work and at some other time an item could be inserted into the general appropriation bill, providing the money for this purpose.

DEATH CAUSED BY
FALL OF FORTY FEET

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—Under mysterious circumstances Frank Bryan, an employee of E. C. Atkins & Co., soap manufacturers, met his death last night by falling from a third-story window in the Auditorium building, a distance of forty feet. The body, which lay exposed to the elements for over two hours, was accidentally discovered in a court yard of the building today by C. J. Biers, who was making a search for Bryan at the solicitation of the latter's wife. It is not thought that an inquest will be necessary, death having evidently been accidental.

Bryan was to have attended a meeting of his lodge of Red Men last night and several of the members

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WEATHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—Cloudy weather has prevailed generally over the Pacific slope and light rain from San Francisco northeast. Forecast: San Joaquin valley—Clearing Monday; light northwest wind.

Temperature (dry bulb) 45
Temperature (wet bulb) 31
Humidity 95
Wind N.W. (one per hr) 2
Maximum temperature 46
Minimum temperature 43
Today's rainfall 0.00
Rainfall to date 1.36
Cloudy Monday.

LOCAL BREVIETIES

Freshysters
In India at
Hollister.
Dr. Ross moved 22 Fleke Bldg.
Ask for British creamery butter.
Fancy alfalfa seed. Hollister Pass seed
dept.

Wanted—Chickens and turkeys at the
Palace Meat Market, 1912 Foothill St.
Lodge and parlor. Navajo Council
No. 62 will give one of their famous
card parties Monday, December 14th,
at 8:30. Admission 25 cents. Refreshments.

The ladies of the board of managers
of the County Orphanage solicit a general
donation from the public for the
children at the orphanage this year, as
almost everything was destroyed by the
recent fire. Donations will be received
at the residence of Mrs. G. J. Craycroft,
1915 N Street.

MRS. W. T. BURNS
National Correspondent of
W. R. C. Suffered from
Nervousness and a General
Breakdown—Caused
By a Cold.

RESTORED TO
HEALTH BY VINOI

"I caught a sever cold which it seemed impossible to get rid of. I became much run down, lost my appetite and flesh and felt nervous and irritable. Vinoi was recommended, and certainly worked wonders for me. It increased my appetite and cured my cough and nervousness. I consider Vinoi a wonderful remedy." Mrs. W. T. Burns, Memphis, Tenn.

Many people are in just her condition—either don't know what to do about it or don't know what to do about them. This is probably caused by a cold or cough which is hard to cure, overwork or too close confinement to business, and such people need Vinoi. Vinoi is not a patent medicine, but contains the medicine curative elements found in fresh cods' livers, with all the oil eliminated and tonic added.

We ask every run down, nervous, debilitated, aged or weak person in this place, and every person suffering from asthomatic colds, bring on cough or bronchitis, to try Vinoi or our offer to return money if it fails to give satisfaction. Geo. H. Monroe Co., Druggists, Fresno.

DIAMONDS

As well as a most complete line of other jewelry will be found at

M'CARTHY'S
Jewelers—1118 J Street
DIAMONDS JEWELRY

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Asthma,
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Cured at Hoff Institute. Free treatment. If you suffer from catarrh of nose, throat or lungs call and get a free treatment. Special offer for short time only \$5 monthly. Delays are dangerous. Never any charge for advice. Hours 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

DR. HOFF, 2011 Mariposa St.

ASSESSMENT VALUES
OF STATE AND COUNTYEqualizers Favor an Extension of Time On Tax
Collections To Be Made On Commissions.

The report of the state board of equalization covering the assessment years 1907-8 makes reference to several subjects of general public interest, on the subject of increase in assessed valuation, the report says.

Increased Values.—"In the last report of this board it was shown that in ten years, 1896 to 1906, the assessed value of property as returned by assessors had increased \$28,136,891, or 21 per cent, while the railway assessments made by this board, for the same period, had increased \$37,451,117, or 57 per cent. If we compare the 1908 assessments with those of ten years ago, a far greater difference and more favorable showing is made. The total assessment made by the assessors for the year 1898 amounted to \$1,006,602,236, while for the year 1908 the returns show \$1,974,561,441, an increase of \$788,254,211, or 53 per cent. In 1908 the total railway assessments by this board totalled \$44,473,463, up to 4,625 miles of railroads, based upon 1907 data. In 1908 the railway mileage had increased to 5,959, or 29 per cent, while the assessment by this board jumped to \$116,498,362, or an increase of 165 per cent in ten years.

"But coming to the part of these increases directly attributable to the present board—who assumed office in January, 1907—we have but to compare the reports for the years. When we come to 1907, we find the railroads assessed in 1906 for \$18,000,000, or \$21, our first assessment raised this property to \$1,032,020, and for the current year (1908) an assessment, as before stated, of \$116,498,362. The percentage of increase was, therefore, 65.7 per cent in 1907 over 1906. The great increase in railway assessments shown in the last two years was the effect result of applying the percentage of gross earnings' plan to those assessments. In other words, the board undertook to fix such ad valorem assessments on the several railroads as would produce a tax equal to 1 per cent of the gross earnings of the roads for a calendar year."

Rates and Valuations.—Valuations and rates in 1907 were:

Returned by auditors \$1,765,996,547
Railroads 119,522,216

Total \$1,885,528,763

Amount to be raised \$1,578,770; rate, 4.5.

Valuation in 1908:

By auditors \$1,874,556,441
Railroads 116,938,162

Total \$1,991,494,603

To be raised \$1,588,770; rate, 4.0.

Fresno county's 1907 appraisement of the railway assessment was \$6,170,321, made up \$83,100 on account of C. P. \$3,860,000 for S. P. \$1,05,158 for the Santa Fe, and \$76,051 for the Pullman Co. for 1908, \$6,144,743; namely, C. P. \$1,657,441; S. P. \$1,708,034; Santa Fe \$1,204,112 and Pullman \$75,123.

For electric motor, street and steam railroads operated in one county the 1907 state assessment was \$55,754,399 and for 1908, \$70,535,712. The Fresno Street Railway was assessed \$16,709 in 1907 and \$71,540 in 1908.

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Operative railroads in 1907 were assessed for \$24,549,162, non-operative \$11,552,417; total \$36,101,580. In Fresno C. P. operative \$731,064; S. P. operative \$134,458, non-operative \$413,415; total \$1,347,776; Santa Fe \$88,396 and \$62,523.

Property Valuations.—Buildings held by the couples assessed at \$96,753; jewelry and plate \$1,534,985; Fresno \$19,204; watches \$723,341; Fresno \$27,830; wine and liquor cases and others \$763,762; Fresno \$197,618; hardware and fixtures \$12,165,547; Fresno \$1,225; wine \$1,400,631; Fresno \$62,112; cattle sheet 26,741; valued at \$428,260; Fresno 1,60 at \$41,780; stock 617,322 valued at \$7,829,170; Fresno 16,529 at \$200,125; bulls and cows (thoroughbreds) 4741 at \$19,515; Fresno 238 at \$19,500; cows (American) \$2,225 at \$2,455,801; Fresno not returned; turned graded 10,014 at \$442,020; Fresno 17 at \$680; common 215,584 at \$1,225,558; Fresno 11,575 at \$115,750; oxen 262 at \$15,480; Fresno not returned; hogs 292,413 at \$1,046,632; Fresno 9875 at \$29,625; mules 47,137 at \$2,304,338; Fresno 2427 at \$21,350; Jacks and jennies 1125 at \$102,000; Fresno 68 at \$3,100; horses (thoroughbreds) \$39 at \$162,000; Fresno 50 at \$11,260; horses standard breed 2262 at \$465,185; American horses \$1,380 at \$16,552; Fresno 11,500 at \$26,094; Fresno 300 at \$150,000; common 67,512 at \$10,510; Fresno 280 at \$760; poultry 168,724 dozens at \$65,596; Fresno 10,250 at \$30,150; traction engines \$380,725; Fresno \$85,250; farming utensils \$1,500,153; Fresno 7,450; wagons and vehicles \$1,425,165; Fresno \$234,260; hay \$563,477; Fresno \$19,100; wool \$50,755; Fresno not reported; wool \$241,982; Fresno \$2,500; coal \$51,065; Fresno \$12,020; lumber \$6,692,110; Fresno \$420,650; machinery \$11,006,697; Fresno \$301,000; oil tanks \$1,003,550; Fresno \$247,200; oil pumps, derricks, etc. \$1,307,785; Fresno \$72,660; tax writers \$70,055; Fresno \$52,240; bicycles and tricycles \$332,126; Fresno \$12,100; automobiles \$3,431,651; Fresno \$128,000; firearms \$145,000; Fresno \$340,000; libraries \$749,731; Fresno \$19,570; pianos \$1,714,745; Fresno \$113,000; musical instruments \$493,964; Fresno \$7,620; sewing machines \$710,517; Fresno \$42,175; furniture \$21,337,622; Fresno \$375,250; harness, robes, saddlebags \$1,217,322; Fresno \$62,500; goods, wares and merchandise \$36,381,769; Fresno \$605,755; condensed.

To feel strong, have good appetite and digestion, sleep soundly and enjoy life, use Burdock Root Bitters, the great system tonic and builder.

Heb! Heb! Heb!—Scratch! Scratch!—The more you scratch the worse the itch. The Dr. Wm's Ointment, it cures piles, eczema, any skin Itching. All druggists sell it.

A bad liver leads to chronic dyspepsia and constipation—weakens the whole system. Dean's Regulates (25 cents per box) correct the liver, tone the stomach, cure constipation.

Cures baby's croup, Will's daily

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Declarer that their brother Henry, a freshman at Rutgers college, is in a dangerous condition as the result of alleged brutality or hazing. Harry and Samuel Jacobson of Elizabeth, came here today and demanded an investigation. They said that young Jacobson was compelled to roll pennies across the main street of the college town with his nose, and then beaten with pickets from a nearby fence while not in a position to defend himself. The boy, they state, is at his home in Newark under the care of a physician.

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goods \$1,538,660; Fr. pipe \$9300; vitrified pipe \$48,753; iron pipe \$1,561,871; Fresno \$99,500; electric light plants \$13,304,421; Fresno \$9,111; fixtures of stores and saloons \$4,226,819; Fresno \$163,325; franchises not assessed by state board 133,555,745; Fresno \$1,214,000; railroad rolling stock not assessed \$4,955,498; Fresno \$11,500.

Grain in Storage

Wheat, state \$563,671
Fresno 44,722
oats, state 47,120
Fresno 1,850
Parley, state 203,840
resin 36,519
Corn, state 28,823
Fresno 1,750

Grain Acreage

Wheat, state 1,265,868
Fresno 15,459
oats, state 293,500
Fresno 800
Barley, state 1,342,666
Fresno 12,500
Corn, state 10,512
Fresno 100
Pineapple, state 1,686,915
Fresno 2,560
Rye, state 21,826
Hop, state 9,641
Potato, state 12,707
Fresno 250
Celery 4,021
Beans 126,879
Sugar beets 61,983
Alfalfa, state 308,519
Fresno 21,256

Grape Vines Acres

Tatia, bearing, state 32,357
Fresno 1,658
Non-bearing 16,917
Fresno 49,362
Raisin grapes, bearing 85,519
Fresno 12,871
Non-bearing 12,871
Fresno 5,360
Wine, bearing 129,739
Fresno 31,655
Non-bearing 44,275
Fresno 4,500

Fruit Trees

Apples, bearing, trees 1,683,112
Fresno 33,420
Non-bearing 235,300
Fresno 630
Peach, bearing 19,500
Fresno 3,200
Non-bearing 19,500
Fresno 320
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JOHNSON OPPOSES
MUN-PARTISAN JUDGES

Sacramento Machine Assemblyman Only
One of Over 100 Writers to Object
to Denman Proposition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—At a luncheon of the Commonwealth club at the Hotel St. Francis yesterday afternoon, William Denman, a local attorney, explained in detail his plan for electing judges that would not be bound by party associations. Note that many members responded to the post-card sent announcing the subject and were attached. The room which had been engaged was found to be too small, many having to stand throughout the discussion. The active interest in the topic was further indicated by the numerous suggestions offered to details in working out the scheme.

Denman sketched his plan in the rough, describing the main features, which provided for the elimination of the blind partisan system for a judicial candidate, permits the intelligent selection of a judicial qualifications, and frees the judges from boss control. The present illogical strength party voter voting, Denman said, while proper for legislative and executive candidates, is absurd in the case of a judge, who should be left free and untrammeled and be able to try cases according to fact and evidence alone.

One Writer Opposes Plan.

Denman said that out of 100 letters which had been sent to him in regard to the plan, he had only one of the writers who had not expressed himself as being anxious for reform.

The single protest to Denman's plan was from Grove L. Johnson, who had written: "I believe a judge responsible to a convention in the same way as a corner," Judge Gilbert, presiding justice of the United States court of appeals; Chief Justice Beatty and many federal and state judges were quoted by Denman as favoring his plan. Besides the Los Angeles Bar association had taken up the matter, he said, and the general feeling in favor of the plan.

The scheme provides for the placing of all judicial candidates' names on the ballot in the first column with party designation. The judges may be nominated as they are now, or by a petition signed by 3 per cent of the voters. Any judge, Denman thought, who had properly served his four or six years should not be discredited in obtaining, without personal degradation, the signatures of 3 per cent of the voters, and thus be placed on the ticket on an equal footing with the nominees of a party.

Suggestions Offered.

Many members of the club spoke upon details of the plan, all offering suggestions as to the practical details of nomination and election. Some thought that plans should be provided for the preliminary sifting of judicial candidates at the direct primary election, so that only a limited number of names voted on at the ballot would be placed upon the ballot. Denman thought that detail should be taken up by the ordinary law people and the plan method suggested as to the form in which the ballot should be printed. His own idea as to nomination was that the nominations should be made by direct primary, petition or party convention, the judge's name to appear without designation of any kind.

The next meeting of the club will be devoted to the consideration of means by which an auditorium can be erected in this city, and Charles E. Naylor will describe a plan which he has evolved for this important project.

ZEPPELIN MAY TAKE
TRIP TO THE POLE

Airship as a Means of Arctic Exploration
Is Being Actively
Exploited.

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—In an interview published in the Fall Mail Gazette this summer, Professor Dr. Hergesell, may be remembered, spoke with enthusiasm of the services the dirigible balloon should be of to polar exploration to geographical science and cartography. He interested him a good deal, that the possibilities of the Zeppelin as an engine-of-war. Among other things, he referred to Andree's voyage, and discussed the feasibility of his scheme of reaching the North Pole by balloon. I now hear that Count Zeppelin's entourage at Friedrichshafen, of whom Dr. Hergesell has for years been, so to speak, chief of staff, is actually working air plans for this very voyage. The Berliner Tagblatt, which published the report, has also reserved the right that the voyage is to take place next year, and that its expense will be met by the national funds placed at the Count's disposal.

As Dr. Hergesell three or four months ago undoubtedly had the idea in his head, and further stated that personally he would be quite ready to carry it out, the rumor may not be so fantastic as it sounds. The great objective Dr. Hergesell foresees in a voyage of any great distance lies in the provision of a sufficient number of aerostats. Otherwise it should be thought, he feels, that it would be unprofitable to know if Count Zeppelin has been able to obviate this objection in the new models he has under construction. Given the motive power, there is in itself nothing more fantastic in believing that a Zeppelin airship could reach the North Pole from a suitable spot on say, the coast of Spitzbergen, than that it can cover the distance between the Lake of Constance and the Baltic, which is now an article of faith among German aeronauts.

ROCKEFELLER AT
OLD OHIO HOME

Visits Cleveland Oil Refineries and
Es-
tate He Had Not Seen for Many
Years.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 13.—John D. Rockefeller arrived in Cleveland today from New York. The oil magnate visited his downtown residence for the first time in years, strayed about the oil works at East Thirteenth street and the Nickel Plate works, where he first set up business, and then visited in a street car to Forest Hill, his East Cleveland estate, tramped about the place for two hours with the care taker and then returned to his town home to pass the night.

What led to the visit of Rockefeller to Cleveland at this time, an unusual proceeding, is not known, nor could it be learned how long he would remain. On the street car Rockefeller paid his 3 cent fare and then stepped into the motorman's vestibule, introducing himself to Motorman Miller.

"I like to be able to run this car as you are doing," said Rockefeller to Miller.

"You can have my job any time you want it," replied the motorman cheerfully.

Rockefeller talked philosophy, and when the motorman interjected a remark about the qualities of success the oil magnate said:

"Success is simply doing something better than any one else has been able to do it."

Indictment of Night Riders

UNION CITY, Tenn., Dec. 13.—The grand jury investigating the Reelfoot lake night rider raids, reported 22 indictments today. One of the alleged night riders turned state's evidence, in a confession implicating a number in raids. As a result nine arrests will be made at once. His statement had to do with the earlier raids.

Redwood Gapse Stakes.
Redwood Tanks and Boxes.
R. F. WILSON, Stockton, Cal.

Summons
In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

No. 12978.

Department No. 2, W. A. Conn, At-
torney for Plaintiff, vs. F. B. Al-
lato, Laura Allato, his wife; W. D.
Allato, and Clara H. Lehr, his wife;
George H. Normington, Shepherd-Iuge
Co., a corporation; John Dow and
Richard Roe, defendants.

The People of the State of California
send greeting to F. B. Allato, Laura
Allato, his wife, W. D. Lehr, and Clara
Lehr, his wife; George H. Normington,
Shepherd-Iuge Co., a corporation;
John Dow and Richard Roe, de-
fendants.

You are hereby directed to appear and
answer the complaint in an action en-
titled as above, brought against you in
the Superior Court of the said County
of Fresno, State of California, within
ten days after the service on you of
this summons—it served within this
county, or within thirty days it served
elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless
you appear and answer as above re-
quested, the said plaintiff will take judg-
ment for any money or damages de-
manded in the complaint, as arising upon
a contract or he will apply to the Court
for any other relief demanded in the
complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of the
Superior Court of the said County of
Fresno, State of California, this 12th
day of October, A. D. 1908.

W. O. MILES, Clerk
W. O. MILES, Deputy Clerk

Trustees Sale of Real Estate
Whereas, Albert C. Gupill exequent a
certain Deed of Trust to Alex Gordon
and J. M. Henderson, Jr., Trustees, on
November 17th, 1906 (said deed of trust
being dated November 7th, 1906), and
was recorded on the 27th day of Novem-
ber, 1906, in Book 344 of Deeds, at
page 352 and following, Records of Fresno
County, State of California, said deed
of trust conveying the real property
hereinafter described for the purpose of
securing the payment of a certain promis-
sory note, made by the said Albert C.
Gupill, and, whereas, default has been
made in the payment of the interest on
said note:

Now, therefore, by the authority vest-
ed in them by said deed of trust and
upon application of the owner of the real
estate, the undersigned, as such
trustees, do, on December 28th, 1908, at
the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., in front of the
post office door, in the City of
Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California,
sell at public auction to the high-
est bidder, for cash in United States
gold coin, all the certain real property
situate in the County of Fresno, State
of California, and described as follows,
to-wit:

The Southeast quarter of Section
Eighteen (18); the Northeast quarter of
Section Nineteen (19); the Northwest
quarter and the West half of the South-
west quarter of Section Twenty (20), all
in Township Thirteen (13) South, Range
Twenty-two (22) East, Mount Diablo
Base and Meridian, together with all the
improvements and appurtenances thereto
belonging, also all the rents, issues
and profits thereof, together with all
water rights and water ditches, water
contracts and privileges that are in any
way used, connected with or appertain
to said lands.

ALEX GUPILL, Trustee
J. M. HENDERSON JR., Trustee.

NOTICE OF TIME APPOINTED FOR
PROVING WILL, ETC.

In the Superior Court of the County of
Fresno, State of California, in the
matter of the estate of W. J. McFee,
deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Monday,
the 14th day of December, 1908, at 2
o'clock, p. m., of said day, at the court
room of said court, Department No. 2,
at the courthouse in the City of Fresno,
in said County of Fresno, has been ap-
pointed by the Clerk of said Court, as
the time and place for proving the will
of said W. J. McFee, deceased, and for
hearing the application of Fred J. Mc-
Fee for the issuance to him of letters
testamentary, when and where any per-
son interested may appear and contest
the same.

Date December 3, 1908.

W. O. MILES, Clerk
By D. M. Barnwell, Deputy Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of
Fresno, State of California, in and for the county of
Kings, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the under-
signed administrator of the estate of
Elizabeth Zediker, to the creditors of
and all persons having claim against
the said deceased, to meet them with
the necessary papers within four
months from the first publication of this
notice, to the said administrator at
Rooms 200-301 Land Co. Building in the
City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State
of California, the same being the place
of the transaction of the business
of the said estate.

J. W. ZEDIKER,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth
Zediker, deceased.
Dated Oct. 14, 1908.
Gen. Counsel, Attorney for Adminis-
trator.

Proposals

Public notice is hereby given that the
Board of Trustees of the City of Fresno
hereby invites sealed proposals for the
furnishing to the City of Fresno, F. O.
B. at Fresno, all or any part of One
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ATLANTIC COAST, G. A. C.—Meets the first and third Saturdays at 2 p.m. of each month at Riley hall, Fresno street. All members in good standing invited. W. W. Trussell, Com. H. V. Parker, Adj't.

FOR SALE—Real Estate

DE WITT H. GRAY & CO.

49 ACRES till, bearing vineyard, seven miles from town. In the heart of the best vineyard district. Some wheat, boxes and trees go with this place at only \$600 on terms.

1 ACRES on Ventura Ave. A beautiful site for a suburban home.

10 ACRES 2 acres gold peach trees, 2 and 1 years old, 3 room house and good barn on place. Think you can own this attractive place for \$500 on your terms. Only one mile from Fresno.

23 ACRES 4 miles from Fowler, all plowed to Muscats, 6 room two story house, large barn, trees, picking is easy, swallows, birds, and all implements go with this place for \$500. A shop.

49 ACRES near Fowler, 20 acres in Muscat and Malaga vines that have just come into full bearing, 12 acres of peaches, 5 acres in alfalfa, good 4 room house with electric lights, five bath and out shade lot necessary implements, white ash soil and full water rights. A fine place for \$1200 on terms.

80 ACRES 1 year old vines and water rights for season alfalfa, large barn and small house, red beam soil and full water rights at shop at \$1200.

AVERAGE We have upwards of 5000 acres of raw land for sale in the best soil for irrigation, etc.

RAW LAND & SPECIALTY

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4 ACRES 6 miles east of Fresno, 4 Muscats, 8 Thompson, 10 acres alfalfa, small house, 5000. Those and many others at gold prices and terms. See W. H. Gray, with Shepherd & Augs 1911 J.

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Sauce Piquante For Yuletide Feast



TWO OF A KIND.

Violet: "I told Beatrice I couldn't afford to give her a present this Christmas."

Vivian: "Was she vexed?"

Violet: "No; she thanked me for mentioning it, as she had been wanting to say the same thing to me."

The Reason of It.

WHAT did you buy Marie for a present?" asked the man in the car of his neighbor.

"I really don't know," said the neighbor, and a worried look began to creep around his eyes. "I wish I could tell you. You see, I went to a jeweler's and I said, 'Give me something in silver for a girl who has everything.' He was a most obliging man. He brought out a lot of pretty little silver things and advised me to take 'em.

"What are they for?" said I.

"It's in the catalogue," said he. "Wait until I get it and look."

"If there's anything I hate to do it is to hang around a shop, and so I told him it wasn't necessary. If he could positively assure me that they had a use I would take them. He assured me, and \$25 worth of the gimcracks are now in my bureau drawer waiting for Christmas morning."

"Aren't you afraid perhaps the fellow deceived you?" asked the man in the car anxiously.

"Why, no," replied the neighbor. "Look here; it stands to reason that he wouldn't have been selling them if they hadn't some use, doesn't it? Well, that's the way I reasoned it out. They were there in the shop to be sold, and therefore they must be for something, and Marie's a smart girl, and she'll find out what. You see, that is woman's privilege to take something that looks absolutely worthless and make it useful."

"So it is," assented the other man.

DISTINCTION.

Minister (kindly)—Did I understand you to say that your neighbor's small boy has gone to heaven?

Howard (unkindly)—I did not. I said he was dead.

THE ONLY THING.

"A horse may be driven to water"—We think.

You know what thereafter befalls. There's only one thing may be driven to drink.

And that's an artesian well.



THE JOHNNIE'S CHRISTMAS DREAM.

Small Boy Balances Accounts.

"I don't suppose I should tell the story," said Brown, with a smile, "but it is too good to keep, so here goes. My wife is a pronounced enemy to cigarettes and is ready at all times to strike a blow at the miserable little 'cooky hall' as she takes delight in calling it. The other day she chanced to meet a small boy serenely smoking one of the little white rolls, and the sight caused her to hold up her hands in horror.

"'Little boy,' said she severely, 'don't you want to grow up to be a big, strong man?'

"'Yes, ma'am,' answered the boy between puffs.

"'Well, you never will if you smoke those nasty things. They will make you dreadfully thin!'

"'Gee!' replied the boy as he looked critically at my wife, who is extremely thin. 'See, but you must have smoked a lot of them!'

AS TO TAXATION.

"You say stability is taxed?"

"Well, it is the same thing. If you are shrewd you aren't taxed."

CHRISTMAS—AN ANTICIPATION.



Of all the games, both rich and rare,
There is a game beyond compare.

And that sweet game, I'd have you know,
Is kissing 'neath the mistletoe.

THE THING TO DO.

"If you woke up suddenly in the den of night and found yourself in the den of a man-eating tiger, what would you do?"

"I'd promise myself to quit drinking."

BEFORE AND AFTER.

Bones—Before marriage all is bill and coot.

Jones—And what after?

Bones—Then it's a coup to pay the coal bill.

THAT WOULD FETCH HER.

Though the new woman claims that her mission

is "work for the sex's glory,"

she'd gladly resign her position

To list to the old, old story.

FOOLISH FELLOW.

He—What would you do if I were to kiss you?

She—How singular! I was thinking that very thing.

Yet he sat there and kept on wondering.

NOT A HARD WORKER.

"No; I can't give you a job. I've as many hands now as I can find work for."

"Well, that needn't stand in your way. The little I'd do wouldn't make no difference."

HAD A SMART LAWYER.

"I understand that you had to go to law about that property that was left you. Have you a smart lawyer?"

"Yes, but I have. He owns the property now."

A Seasonable Proof.

Dunn—This is the time when the greater is subordinated to the less.

Gunn—How do you make that out?

Dunn—Doesn't the Christmas tree owe its importance entirely to the (olive) branches?

The Resolution.

"Do you intend to make any resolutions on New Year's?"

"No; I'm going to keep the resolution I made last year."

"What was that?"

"Not to make any more resolutions."

The Motor Craze.

He—Don't you sometimes envy these very wealthy people their enjoyments?

She—No, I never cared for the smell of gasoline.

They Quarrel.

She—You're just hateful.

He—You're more

She—You're in regular slick.

He—You're as smooth as two.

A Wise Woman.

"I claim that my wife is one of the most sensible women on earth."

"It is always fine for a man to have such an opinion of his better half."

"Yes, she invariably gets her brother to pick out the cigars she gives me on Christmas."

Her Scheme.

Marlow—Grace tells me that she has begun to gather her Christmas mistletoe already.

Myrtle—Yea. You see, she has to begin early. She has a scheme to cover the ceiling of every room in the house with it.

The Same Old Excuse.

Judge—Don't you know better than to hit a drunken man, officer?

New Cop—If I please your honor, I didn't know he was loaded.

Natural Instinct.

"Does the little boy take after his mother?"

"Yes, he takes after her every time he looks at her."

ACCOMMODATION FOR BOY AND BEAST.

"He certainly seems a bit sad, this horse that Santa Claus sent you. What do you think he wants?"

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FARMER BOWEN HELD UP WHILE SEATED IN BUGGY

Gave Up \$2 Spare Cash, and Highwayman Drove Off After Victim Was Made To Alight From the Vehicle.

One of the boldest holdups in Fresno was committed at 6 o'clock last night when H. M. Bowen, one of the former lessees of the city sewer farm, was halted by a highwayman on Tulare street, near the city pound, as he was returning in a buggy to his home on the sewer farm. At the point of a revolver, Bowen was forced to give up to the highwayman \$2 in small change, all he had in his pocket, and to step from the vehicle. Still covering his victim with a gun, the robber entered the buggy and dashed away with the horse at full speed. Bowen was left standing in the middle of the road. Several hundred dollars in checks were not given up by him nor his watch. After recovery from his amazement, Bowen followed the track of the highwayman up the hill, and it finally turned into California Avenue, presumably to the home of Dr. Fowler. He ran to the home of Dr. Williams, the veterinarian, nearby, and telephoned to the police station and the sheriff's office. Glancing at his watch, Bowen noted that it was a few minutes after 6 and darkness had not yet fallen, although it was rapidly growing dusk.

Within ten minutes three policemen, in a large automobile, dashed out of the city toward the scene of the bold holdup. After conversing with Bowen for a brief time, he was taken into the machine and the car sped on after the highwayman who had made off in his buggy.

It was surmised that the fellow had gone toward Fowler, and the officers turned their attention in this direction. The tracks of the Southern Pacific company were followed as far south as Fowler, but no trace of the wanted man or the horse and buggy were discovered.

The surrounding country, both within the city limits and in the adjoining colonies, were searched without result. Every road, every which way it was thought that the highwayman might have gone, was traversed with the auto speed at its utmost, and frequent inquiries were made, but to no avail.

The authorities in the adjoining towns were notified by the local police department. Constables in Selma, Fowler and Madera were told to be on their guard, and a description of the man and of the horse and buggy were given to each. It was thought that the description obtained of the highwayman from Bowen and the peculiarity of the buggy and horse would materially aid in apprehending the thief.

It was near the city limits line on Tulare street near A. that Bowen, who was driving leisurely along the street, that he first noticed the dim outline of a man ahead of him on the left side of the road. It was dark, but was not dark enough but that the figure of a man could be discerned at a little distance. As Bowen drew near, the horse which he was driving, a large, dark bay animal, was brought to a walk. As he was almost opposite the man, who was walking in the road almost within touch of the wheels, the stranger turned suddenly and jerking a large revolver at a standstill with a "whoa."

"Hands up! Give me your money!" Confronted by the wicked looking weapon, apparently in the hands of a desperate man, Bowen checked his horse, bringing him to a standstill with a "whoa."

"All right," replied Bowen, amazed at the boldness and coolness of the highwayman. Reaching into his trouser pocket, Bowen drew out a small bundle of silver, about \$2 in all, and handed it to the man.

"That's all you got?" snapped the highwayman, angrily, but with his aggressiveness, still keeping the revolver leveled at Bowen's head.

"Yes, that's all I've got."

"Well, dig up some more," answered Bowen decisively.

Whereupon the highwayman ordered him to alight from the buggy. Bowen was eager to comply with the latest demand, and pulling the robe from his lap started to step out on the left side of the road, the same side on which the robber was standing.

"Get out on the other side," demanded the highwayman. And Bowen obeyed immediately. With his revolver still grasped firmly in his right hand, the robber leaped into the vehicle at almost the same moment Bowen alighted on the right side of the road.

Without further ado the highwayman seized the lines, which Bowen had dropped in his hurried exit, and lashing the horse over the back with the buggy whip dashed away into the darkness at full speed. The animal had started into motion at the unexpected sensation of the whip on his back. The horse is a young animal and full of life. The buggy is a top vehicle, yellow painted running gear, with side springs painted the same color.

Bowen informed the police that he could not see the face of the man, as the latter wore a dark slouch hat, pulled far down over his eyes. His trousers were white or light, and presumably were corduroy, while his coat was dark, appearing as a black coat. His hair was about 5 feet 9 inches. His age is thought to be about 25, although he looked younger. He was smooth shaven.

Bowen stated that after the man had driven along Tulare street toward the city limits line, he turned and came back, taking a cutoff, and disappeared over the top of the hill toward Elm avenue, on a line with Railroad avenue running toward the same. Evidently the highwayman had decided to change the direction for his escape, first stepped out as he returned over the crest of a hill facing toward Madera and then started off in a southerly direction.

After running after the buggy to the top of the hill, Bowen was unable to see anything more of the man or horse and buggy, as he returned, walking a quarter of a mile to the home of Dr. Williams, where he informed the police and Sheriff Clittenden of the holdup.

The fact that the highwayman did not secure more than the \$2 in due to the presence of mind of Bowen. In one of his inside pockets were several checks, to the value of \$20 or \$30. A gold watch in his vest pocket was also taken, as the robber did not place his hand on Bowen during the affair.

It is known that Bowen had \$1 in his pocket and when he was alighted, his victim had been apparently satisfied, for no further attempt was made to ascertain whether Bowen was telling the truth or not.

Bowen was unarmed, or else he says the holdup would have had another ending. His reason for jumping out of the buggy with such alacrity when commanded was in hope of grappling with the highwayman for the pistol. The robber frustrated this design by shooting him to alight from the side of the buggy.

It is known that for a little while after whipping up the horse, he rode down to and immediately be-

VALLEY SAVINGS STOCK HOLDERS

Apparent Recall of the Meeting Tomorrow.

It Will Be Held Though to Consider Concerted Action on Subscriptions.

Editor Republican—Several days ago the following notice was inserted in your paper, at the instance of some of the interested described in it, whom I represent:

"The subscribers to the capital stock of the Valley Savings Bank will hold a meeting in Judge Smith's court room at 2 p. m., Thursday, December 15th, 1908, to take action in regard to the call on stock of the bank. A full attendance is expected."

The day of the week given in this notice should have been Tuesday instead of Thursday.

Subsequently there appeared in the same column with the above notice, the following:

Notice.

"Notice is hereby given that there will be no meeting of the stockholders of the Valley Savings Bank at Judge Smith's court room on December 15, 1908. Any notice of such meeting has been issued through error and without authority."

Notice will be mailed to each stockholder, personally, at least ten days before meeting.

"VALLEY SAVINGS BANK OF FRESNO.

"By R. A. Fassett, President."

The obvious intent of the latter notice is to prevent attendance at the meeting announced in the first. Such casual reading as is usually given to notices of the kind would lead to the impression that the latter was a dental of the meeting announced in the first.

In explanation, I would say that the bank officials only recognize as "stockholders" those who bought promotion stock from the promoters of the bank, paying them the par value. Not one dollar of this money ever went into the bank.

Those who are regarded as "subscribers" merely, and for whom the notice is intended, paid ten per cent on their subscriptions, and have the melancholy satisfaction of knowing that a small per cent of what they paid in did, at least in most instances, go into the capital of the institution.

A call for an additional ten per cent has been made on these, and it is to consider some concerted action in relation to this call, that the meeting is to be held.

Very respectfully,

S. L. STROTHER.

Fresno, Cal., December 13, 1908.

ELKS' GRAND LODGE PLANS ANNOUNCED

Great Doings in Los Angeles City Promised for the Week in July

Next.

Official plans for the grand lodge of Elks to be held in Los Angeles next July were promulgated at the banquet tendered visiting and resident members of the order by the Hotel Alexandria last Friday night in the southern city.

The Elks are due to arrive in Los Angeles July 10 and 11, and will be entertained at the depot by marching clubs and escorted to their hotels. They will be shown the city in 1,000 automobiles.

The grand lodge will be opened in the Auditorium July 13, and that night there will be a great theater party for which the theaters of the city will be bought out for Elks.

The grand-lodge session will be continued July 15, with a trip to Long Beach and a theater party at Long Beach.

On July 15 the grand lodge will be continued, with the addition of an Elks' parade and athletic games.

A midsummer floral and allegorical festival, including an "electric circus parade" and fireworks, will be the amusement for July 16.

The following day, July 17, will be Catalina day and there will also be a barbecue and a program of athletic contests at Arcadia.

Rush L. Holland, grand exalted ruler, and other officers of the grand lodge left for their homes on Saturday.

NAT GOODWIN PLAY AT NOVELTY THEATER

Pretty Alta Phipps in the Role that Maxine Elliott Played in the Original.

Tonight the Alta Phipps company at the Novelty theater will offer at popular prices Nat Goodwin's great play, "When We Were Twenty-one," and it promises a production above the average.

Miss Phipps will be in the role of Phyllis, a part that Miss Maxine Elliott played with success, while Mr. Cripps will be cast as Richard Carew, the part that Nat Goodwin created. Miss Melrose will be cast this week as the "Fire Fly" and the others of the cast will be seen to advantage. Mr. Marshall, the scenic artist, also promises something good in the way of scenery.

This is one of the great successes throughout the East and the fact that Mr. Goodwin used this play for three years is recommendation as to its quality.

BLIZZARD PREVENTED JOURNEY TO HUME

COALINGA TO HAVE NEW MINISTER

A meeting of the Ministerial Union will be held this morning at ten o'clock. The matter of most moment will be in connection with a coming visit of Bishop Bell of San Francisco, in January. He will deliver a series of lectures in this city, and a Sunday school institute will be held at the same time. It was determined at a previous meeting to have the bishop come, and a committee was appointed to arrange matters. This committee will report today.

MEETING CALLED OF OIL MEN

Oil men of Coalinga and other districts have been called to meet at Webb hall in Coalinga next Saturday, to discuss the oil situation and especially legislation that may be necessary for the furthering of the oil interests of California. Invitations have been sent by Assemblyman Odum to senators and assemblymen and so far the following have expressed a desire to meet with him: Senators Cartwright and Miller, and Assemblymen Draw, Irwin, Webber, Fiehler and Wyllie.

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SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD WITH BULLDOG REVOLVER

Fritz Moosbrugger Was a Russian Army Officer With a Romantic Family History.

Despondent because of financial straits, Fritz Moosbrugger, a native of Russia, formerly employed as a bartender in the Bodega saloon, suicidally shot himself through the head last night in the rear of the Louvre saloon on K street. One man in the saloon heard the shot, but paid no attention to it, and it was several minutes before the suicide was discovered. A waiter coming from the alley found him in a pool of blood. The waiter rushed into the saloon thinking Moosbrugger had been hurt in some accidental manner and informed Henry Johansson of the tragedy. Johansson telephoned for Dr. Rowell and the latter Dr. Burks took charge of the case.

Moosbrugger had been sitting at a table in the arbor in the rear of the saloon. He had not been there long because only shortly before he had come into the saloon and spoken to the proprietor of the cigar store there. He appeared at that time to be in a cheerful mood and no one dreamed of the tragedy which was to follow.

After greeting the cigar man, Moosbrugger passed through the saloon and seated himself on a bench in the arbor. A few minutes before he had fired the shot, another waiter passing through, saw him sitting at the table with his head resting in his hands.

The shot, from a 38 calibre bulldog pistol, entered the skull just behind the right temple and emerged just in front of the left temple. Upon examination, Dr. Burks stated that the fore part of the brain had been pierced. Apparently the man had sat at the table a moment or so before the muscles relaxed, for there was a great pool of blood just underneath the table and the gun was lying right by the pool. When he fell he turned to the right and lay with his head on a board walk which runs from the back door of the saloon to the alley.

Dr. Burks bound the wound as best he could on the spot and then sent for an ambulance, removing the man to the emergency hospital at the city hall a short time later. Unconscious from the very moment after firing the shot, Moosbrugger seemed loath to part with life. Being possessed with an exceedingly strong constitution, he fought valiantly with death for hours. At times he seemed about to pass away and then he would revive and after a short struggle, resume an even although labored breathing.

Moosbrugger was operated on a few days ago for throat trouble and had a tube inserted in the throat through which he might breathe. This in a measure prolonged life, for it did not close as the natural windpipe would have done. That death was not unpremeditated is gained from statements which he is purported to have made to various men about town. He told one man on Friday that he would kill himself one of these days and a short time before that, he told another man that something might happen soon.

According to some who were very intimate with him, he was exceedingly despondent because he had lost his employment with the Bodega saloon. It appears that he had promised another position with Kehler Bros., but this did not seem to detract in the least from the worry which attended him wherever he went. He has a wife and a baby daughter and it was the thought that he could not support them that prompted him to take his life.

Evening Session, 5:30—Question Box Discussion. Mr. Benton and others. Migratory Beekeeping. H. T. Christman, Coalinga. Melting Cappings from the Knives. J. H. Heldorn, Grangeville, and J. F. McCormick, Fresno. The Effective Marketing of Honey. R. L. Epperson, Fresno. What the University is Doing for Apiculture. Mr. Benton.

Thursday Morning Session, 9:00—Varieties of Bees and Their Relative Merits. Mr. Benton. Queen Rearing for the Honey Producer. Mr. Dunn. Queen Box Discussion. Mr. Benton and others. An Effective State Organization. Mr. Benton.

KINGS COUNTY "DRY" AFTER NEW YEAR

Kings county outside of the towns will be "dry" on and after the new year. The supervisors passed before adjourning on Friday last ordinance 73, correcting ordinance 74 for the closing of saloons of the county outside of the municipalities. No. 74 provides that the saloons shall close after December 31, 1908, but failed to specify that the saloons and houses in question referring to were those outside of the municipalities, describing them only as being in Kings county. By correcting this error at this session the time is sufficient that the necessary notification can be given. The date of the closing of the outside saloons will be the same.

BLIZZARD PREVENTED JOURNEY TO HUME

LAST Wednesday morning R. H. Galpher, the stage road man, left Hanger for Hume to go over the new road, before sending his mail wagon through. He expected to drive the first wagon to the new town, but when he arrived at the snow line he encountered such blizzard that he turned back deeming it unsafe to proceed over a slippery new road under those conditions.

Rowan to Go Out of Commission. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—The United States torpedo boat destroyer Rowan under command of Captain Milton S. Davis and Lieutenant R. E. Cassidy arrived here today and after taking coal and water proceeded to Venice. From Venice the Rowan will proceed to Mare Island, where she will go out of commission and her crew of thirty men will be transferred to the W. S. S. Perry. The Perry is expected here Thursday from San Diego and will experiment with a new type of torpedo in practice at this port. She will remain here about ten days.

FAIR ASSOCIATION MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL THE 28TH

The annual meeting of the Fresno Agricultural Fair Association which was called for yesterday was postponed until the 28th. At that time, a new board of directors will be chosen, and such other business as may come up will be considered by the stockholders. The latter are expected to be present, as this is the only meeting of its character through the year. It is understood that no plans have yet been made in regard to the personnel of the new board of directors.

THE meeting was an especially attractive one in that the musical program was first class as well as the address. The mandolin club played several excellent selections and Mr. Berry sang "Faith to Face" in splendid voice.

Mr. Halle will be the guest and speaker at the Men's League of the Presbyterian church this evening.

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